

## MARINE CORPS ENTERPRISE INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY SERVICES (MCEITS)

Since its inception, the Marine Corps Chief Information Officer (CIO) has been coordinating with representatives from the Department of Defense, the Department of the Navy, and throughout the Marine Corps to establish an information technology infrastructure that better integrates work processes and information flows with technology to achieve our mission and strategic goals. To achieve this vision, the Marine Corps CIO began the Marine Corps Enterprise IT Services (MCEITS) initiative. MCEITS is designed to align our IT resources (manpower, skill sets, hardware, software, facilities, programs, and budget) to create a shared IT services and information environment for all Marines, and establish a reliable, secure, efficient, and responsive IT infrastructure that provides enhanced information access and information management.

Organizations and applications require a common set of IT services. Rather than duplicating these same services for each organization and application, MCEITS will provide a standard set of shared IT services

for all users. These include transport services, application and web server hosting, security, test, and certification services, discovery, collaboration, and access to shared data. MCEITS will complement the Navy-Marine Corps Intranet (NMCI) network by hosting legacy applications and databases at regionalized IT centers, accessible through a single enterprise portal by Marines using NMCI hardware and services.

A new IT environment is under development to eliminate duplication of effort, and streamline the deployment of IT tools to our operating forces and supporting establishment. Through more efficient use of our resources, MCEITS will leverage IT to improve the speed and quality of decision-making. By incorporating portal web-based technology, developing a shared data environment, and establishing an IT data center (both garrison and deployed), MCEITS will support the rapid posting data to shared spaces. It will provide users with the improved capability to pull whatever data they need – whenever and wherever they need it.